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SUBJECT: AMSPEC SCALAPINO

FOLLOWING EVALUATION SCALAPINO PROGRAMS IN KUALA
LUMPUR.

1. PANEL DISCUSSION ON: "ASIA AND MAJOR POWERS", WITH
DR. SOOSAY NATHAN, LECTURER IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS,
UNIVERSITY MALAYA. EACH GAVE 25 MINUTE PRESENTATION.
SCALAPINO SUCCINCTLY AND FACTUALLY REVIEWED POLICY
ORIENTATION OF EACH OF MAJOR POWERS AND ITS IMPLICATIONS
FOR SEA. CHINA, DOMINATED BY ITS CONCERN FOR SOVIETS
MAINLY CONCERNED WITH BALANCE OF POWER, CONDUCTS
ITS RELATIONS ON GOVERNMENT, PARTY AND PEOPLE-TO-
PEOPLE LEVELS; BECAUSE OF ITS POLITICAL INSTABILITY AND
PERCEIVED SOVIET THREAT HAS LIMITED REACH. JAPAN MAINLY
CONCERNED WITH PAN-ASIA ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL
RELATIONS, BALANCING USSR AND CHINA, AND MAINTAINING
SECURITY TIES WITH U.S. INDONESIA WANTS NO HEGEMONY
AND CONTENT TO WORK THROUGH ASEAN. USSR HAS MAJOR
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STAKES IN ASIA, DIFFICULTY IN ACHIEVING THEM, AND MIGHT
AIM FOR LIMITED DETENTE WITH CHINA TO GAIN MORE
FLEXIBILITY IN ITS RELATIONS. UAS HAS THREE ALTERNATIVES:
WITHDRAWAL, ENCLAVE POLICY OR INTERNATIONALISM;
ISOLATIONISM INCONCEIVABLE, ENCLAVE POLICY (RELATIONS
MINLY WITH INDUSTRIALIZED WEST EUROPE AND JAPAN) WON'T
WORK; SELECTIVE INTERNATIONALISM, BEST CHOICE; ERA OF
"BALANCE OF WEAKNESS" AMONG GREAT POWERS IN ASIA;
DOMESTIC COMMUNIST INSURRECTIONS GREATEST DANGER
FOR SEA COUNTRIES. SPIRITED DISCUSSION FOCUSED IN
LARGE PART ON PAST FAILURE OF U.S. POLICY IN SEA,
AND NEED FOR AMERICA TO SUPPORT NEUTRALIF
TION
SCHEME PROMOTED BY GOM.

2. QP-E; ED-E; AR-E; RO-D.

3. LECTURE AT ARMED FORCES STAFF COLLEGE; TOPIC: "HAS
DETENTE AFFECTED BIG POWER POLITICS IN ASIA?".

4. QP-E; ED-VG; AR-E; RO-E.

5. IN HIS 45 MINUTES PRESENTATION, COVERED ESSENTIALLY
SAME GROUND, WITH LIVELY QUESTIONING FROM AUDIDHKCE
OF YOUNGER OFFICERS BEING GROOMED FOR LEADING
STAFF AND COMMAND POSITIONS.

6. PANEL DISCUSSION ON "ROLE OF BIG POWER POLITICS
IN ASIA." WITH DR. K.K. NAIR, DEPUTY DEAN, FACULTY
OF ARTS, UM, AND EMINENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMEN-
TATOR, CHAIRED BY DR. GOH EHENG TEIK, DEPUTY MINISTER
AND MEMBER PARLIAMENT, AND FORMER PROFESSOR OF
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. EACH
PANELIST GAVE 30 MINUTE PRESENTATION, 7285#
CALAPINO COVERING SAME GROUND AS ABOVE.
EXCELLENT AUDIENCE OF 200, INCLUDING SCORE OF
PRIMARY AUDIENCE MEMBERS, WELL AS OBSERVERS FROM
CHINES EMBASSY, AND TWO VISITING JAPANESE
PROFESSORS OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. QUESTIONING
SLOWER AND MORE STILTED, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF SIZE OF
AUDIENCE IN HOTEL SETTING.

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5. QP-E; ED-G; AR-E; RO-E.
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